

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the instant application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of providing identifying information over a voice communications link comprising:

receiving, from a call participant, a personal identification code over the voice communications link;

determining identifying information for the call participant using the personal identification code;

encoding the identifying information of the call participant;

identifying inaudible portions of a voice signal within a voice stream carried by the voice communications link;

removing the identified inaudible portions from the voice signal;

embedding the encoded identification information within the voice stream in place of the removed inaudible portions of the voice signal; and

sending the voice stream and the embedded identifying information to a subscriber.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the voice communications link is a telephony communications link.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the identifying information indicates whether the call participant has been authenticated.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the identifying information and the voice stream are digital information, such that the identifying information is embedded within the voice stream.

5. (Cancelled) .

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
receiving the voice stream and the embedded identifying information; and
decoding the identifying information.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, further comprising presenting a representation of the identifying information.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising playing an audible representation of the voice stream.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the audible representation of the received voice stream is played substantially concurrently with the presentation of the identifying information.

10-30. (Cancelled).